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TO : Director of Training

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DATE: 27 October 1960

FROM : Chief, Plans and Policy Staff

SUBJECT: Weekly Activity Report #43

1. Management Staff Study of ORR Economist Shortage

[redacted] is conducting a staff study of the problem of meeting ORR's requirements for economists. He has obtained NEA's statistics on the yearly college output of BA's, MA's, and PH.D's in economics, finds that the demand exceeds the supply of those with advanced degrees, and he is groping for ways and means of meeting ORR's needs. He noted to PPS that this problem is discussed in the IG Survey of Training, and asked if OTR had reached any conclusions on this. C/PPS informed him that OTR's response to the Survey was being prepared, but was not yet completed.

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[redacted] then asked if it were feasible to train selected young college graduates, in the top 5-10% of their class, with the BA in economics-- in the techniques of research and analysis employed in ORR. C/PPS said that this would be possible, in response to a stated requirement, and a set enrollment. It was agreed that OTR would not attempt to provide substantive training in economics, that this should be accomplished in the colleges and universities, possibly under CIA sponsorship when this was clearly in the Government interest per the training act.

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3. Meeting with EA-DD/S

In addition to transmittal of the Weekly Activity Report, the following items were discussed with [redacted] on 26 October:

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a. In [] report to DTR on the recent Brookings management conference at Williamsburg, he singled out an Air Force brigadier general as the "star performer" among the students. It is suggested that this be extracted for inclusion in our next monthly report to DD/S in order to bring it to Gen. Cabell's attention.

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b. The draft memorandum on external training, which was sent to R/TR for coordination, was prepared by [] on Col. White's initiative. C/PPS presented to [] OTR's position on the paper. Mr. [] replied that Col. White has no strong feelings on the subject of the paper, but that he (Col. White) had become concerned at the flood of different requests for many forms of management training. He is not concerned with review of technical and substantive training, but he is very much concerned with who takes what management training and when. After some discussion, [] and C/PPS agreed that it would be wise for us to "settle down" on our management training program, and to try to determine what courses should be used to meet the various management training requirements.

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c. C/PPS repeated as nearly verbatim as possible Mr. [] briefing on the status of our survey and study of Fort Bragg as an alternate, new location for demolitions training and testing by OTR and TSD.

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4. WH/4 Meeting

C/PPS attended the biweekly WH/4 Clandestine Services staff meeting on 27 October. There was nothing new to report which directly affects the Office of Training. The briefing officer had no information concerning the JOT's and other OTR personnel who are under consideration for assignment to WH/4.

5. Educational Specialist

[] spent the afternoon of 26 October with three members of [] staff discussing mutual items of interest on the general subject of course and lesson planning.

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[] has been assisting, on a part-time basis, with the "interpreter project." He has contributed valuable first-hand material, mostly examples and incidents.

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TO: DTR		
ROOM NO. 11	BUILDING T-31	
REMARKS: <i>I have had a few minutes with [redacted] brought him up to date on my efforts on the IG Survey, and exchanged thoughts on the JOTP concept and training.</i> [redacted]		
FROM: C/PPS		
ROOM NO. 17	[redacted]	
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<small>REFERS FORM 241 WHICH MAY BE USED.</small>		

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